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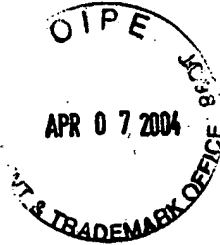
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TITLE OF INVENTION: LONG-LASTING AQUEOUS DISPERSIONS OR SUSPENSIONS OF PRESSURE-RESISTANT GAS-FILLED MICROVESICLES AND METHODS FOR THE PREPARATION THEREOF

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